(vi) In order to reduce social stigma and discrimination, associated with the HIV/AIDS, sensitization workshops have been conducted for Panchayat Members, Municipal Councillors, Teachers, Medical and other Para-medical personnel etc.

Integrated Primary Health Care System

1938. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased state:

(a) whether some State Governments have submitted proposals for establishing an Integrated Primary Health Care System in their respective States for improving the quality and effectiveness of the Primary Health Care and Health promotive services through community participation; and

(b) if so, the details in this regard and the cost of the project in respect of each State and the time by when the proposal is likely to materialize?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. From the State Governments of Chhattisgarh and Uttaranchal, proposals have been received for improving the primary health care system, through community empowerment, for a total outlay of Rs. 297.24 crores and Rs. 64.32 crores respectively. These proposals have been forwarded to the Government of Germany for assistance. Likewise, a proposal for decentralized health care, based on the concept of community health, guaranteeing certain minimum health services, has been received from Government of Madhya Pradesh for an outlay of Rs. 170.92 crores which is under examination.

Increase in cancer and AIDS

1939. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the incidence of cancer and AIDS is on the increase in the country;

(b) if so, the details in this regard and the steps initiated to contain spread of these diseases;